

COMMON COUNCIL  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
December 7, 2010

Mayor Fred Armstrong called a regular meeting of the City Common Council to order at approximately 6:00 P.M. in the Cal Brand Meeting Hall.

**I. Meeting Called to Order**

- A. Opening Prayer was given by Chris Payne from First Christian Church.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Armstrong.
- C. Roll Call was taken: Jesse Brand, Ann DeVore, George Dutro, James Lienhoop, Martha Myers, Joseph Richardson and Priscilla Scalf were present.
- D. Martha Myers moved to approve the minutes from the City Council meeting of November 16, 2010. Ann DeVore seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.

Mayor Armstrong read a Proclamation recognizing the years of service given by Tim Coriden, City Attorney, who is stepping down at the end of 2010. Tim was also given a key to the City by Mayor Armstrong.

- E. Presentation of Information Technology Strategic Plan was presented by Chris Price from TAC by way of a power point presentation. Discussion followed.

**II. Unfinished Business Requiring Council Action**

- A. Reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO.24, 2010, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 2 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA.” City Attorney Tim Coriden recapped the specifics on this Ordinance and the need to have it amended. Brief discussion followed. Martha Myers moved to approve the Ordinance. Jesse Brand seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.
- B. Reading of a Resolution entitled “RESOLUTION NO.27, 2010, A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE LOCAL GUIDELINES FOR THE RIVERBOAT DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT AND INCREASING THE NUMBER OF NON-TRANSFERABLE RIVERFRONT DEVELOPMENT PERMITS WITHIN THE DISTRICT.” Redevelopment Director Ed Curtin presented this Resolution. Ed explained that this Resolution would increase the number of five (5) permits to sell alcoholic beverages by five (5) permits making the number a total of ten (10). Brief discussion followed. Ann DeVore moved to approve the Resolution. Joseph Richardson seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.

- C. Second Reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO.25 , 2010, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PERSONNEL POLICIES OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA.” Fire Chief Gary Henderson presented this Ordinance pertaining to the Fire Department as well as Item D. which is the same Ordinance only pertaining to the Columbus City Police Department. He briefly recapped these Ordinances as they pertain to the 2011 Salary Ordinance. Brief discussion followed. Martha Myers moved to approve the Ordinance. Priscilla Scalf seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.
- D. Second Reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO.26, 2010, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PERSONNEL POLICIES OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA.” Chief Jim Worton - Fire Chief Gary Henderson presented this Ordinance for the Police Department in the absence of Police Chief Jim Worton who was ill. Priscilla Scalf moved to approve the Ordinance. Martha Myers seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.

### **III. New Business Requiring Council Action**

- A. Reading of a Resolution entitled “ RESOLUTION NO.28, 2010, A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PROPOSED BUDGET OF THE UTILITY SERVICE BOARD AS PRESENTED TO THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA.” City Utilities Director Keith Reeves presented this Resolution requesting approval of City Utilities 2011 Budget. The 2011 Budget was presented for review at the last Council meeting on November 16, 2010. Brief discussion followed. George Dutro moved to approve the Resolution. Jesse Brand seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.
- B. First Reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_, 2010, AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH THE COMMONS NON-REVERTING FUND.” City Clerk Treasurer Brenda Sullivan presented this Ordinance. This Ordinance establishes the Commons Non-Reverting Fund. The purpose of this fund is to set aside the dollars left at year-end in the New Commons Operating Fund which is part of the Parks Non-Reverting Fund. The remainder of the unspent budget for that particular year would be transferred to the Commons Non-Reverting Fund in order to fund capital improvements and the maintenance of the Commons in future years. The City Council will approve all capital improvements and maintenance that are expended from the Commons Non-Reverting Fund. Discussion followed. Martha Myers moved to place in proper channels. Joseph Richardson seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.

- C. First Reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO. 27, 2010, AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2010.” Clerk Treasurer Brenda Sullivan asked the Council to approve an additional appropriation in the amount of \$ 8,152.00. There was no appropriated amount budgeted for 2010 in the Council Non-Reverting Fund but there is adequate money to pay these expenses. The expenses are for travel and conferences for three (3) Council Members. Brief discussion followed. Martha Myers moved to suspend the rules and pass on first reading. Priscilla Scalf seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0. Martha Myers moved to approve the Ordinance. Priscilla Scalf seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.
- D. Reading of a Resolution entitled “RESOLUTION NO.29, 2010, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF THE DISASTER APPLICATION TO THE INDIANA OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND RURAL AFFAIRS AND ADDRESSING RELATED MATTERS.” Trena Carter representative from Administrative Resources Association presented this Resolution. Trena explained the purpose of this Resolution and indicated with Council approval the Mayor would be allowed to prepare and submit an application for grant funding to address the need for the acquisition of capital equipment for an industry planning to locate in Columbus, This industry is called NuSun, Inc. Trena went on to explain that the City of Columbus had received a commitment of private funds in the amount of \$1,690,500, in the form of debt for said program for NunSun, Inc. as matching funds for said program such as a commitment to be contingent upon receipt of Disaster CDBG funding from the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs. Trena indicated initially there would be 80 jobs. Discussion followed. George Dutro made a motion to approve the Resolution. Jesse Brand seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0 with Martha Myers abstaining

#### **IV. Other Business**

- A. Standing Committee and Liaison Reports.
- B. Next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, **January 4, 2011** at 6:00 o’clock P.M. in City Hall.
- C. Martha Myers moved to adjourn the meeting. Priscilla Scalf seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0. The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:00 P.M.

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Presiding Officer

Attest:

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City Clerk Treasurer

